"The South 40"
by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

Fall plowing for home gardens is a worthwhile program. Many home gardeners have a rotospader or other light garden tractors used for cultivation. These should not be used for turning the soil because the soil texture is left fine and is subject to winter erosion.

Deep fall plowing will improve soil structure and water penetration through alternate freezing and thawing.

A side effect is the destruction of insects that over-winter in the soil.

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A new disease of pin oaks has been discovered in the City of Hampton.

Pathologists are concerned because of its similarity to Chestnut Blight.

In most cases affected trees show the following changes; leaves turn brown along the edges. The discoloration spreads to the leaf midrib, and complete defoliation occurs as the decline progresses. Cankers form on the lower branches.

If you observe pin oaks going through this condition, you should notify this office or the Virginia Forest Service.

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A two-inch layer of sawdust, wood chips, pine needles, or peat moss around your shrubs will retain moisture and prevent the soil from freezing.

An anti-wilt spray may be applied to reduce water loss from broadleaf evergreens. This spray should be applied in late November when the temperature is above 50 degrees and repeated in mid-winter. This treatment is especially recommended for new plantings.

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For those who visited the Virginia State Fair this fall they saw the first Belted Galloway ever entered in competition in the U. S.

These cattle were first introduced in this country in 1948.

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We lost another Grade A Dairy Herd this month. This herd belonged to Richard and Walker Webb.

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There are now 14 countries that have eliminated rabies. The two latest countries to achieve this distinction are Japan and Taiwan.

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Cattle owners are urged to add magnesium oxide to the salt to prevent Grass Tetany. This disease is becoming serious in some sections of the State.

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Thiabendazole can now be used as a paste for treating certain kinds of worms in pigs 1 to 8 weeks of age.

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Did you hear! Pesticides are building up in the food chain and threaten raptor birds, such as hawks and eagles, with extinction.

FACTS: The Hawk Mountain Sanctuary in Pennsylvania has kept migration records since 1934, except for the World War II years. The 1968 hawk count was an all-time high of 29,765, 30% higher than the previous record year of 1939. The bald-eagle count was the same as the pre-World War II average.

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PRECIPITATION:

Last Week	.0
Month of Nov.	3.50
Normal for Nov.	2.92
This Month	0
This Year	33.01
Normal for this year	37.55

APPOX. PRIMARY CAFE. MENU

Mon., Dec. 7 – Hot Dog on Bun with Dressing, Lima Beans Cole Slaw, Cookie, Milk.

Tues., Dec. 8 – Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Hot Rolls, Lettuce and Tomato Salad, String Beans, Cheese Crackers, Tangerine, Milk.

Wed., Dec. 9 – Sausage Patie with Hot Biscuit, Apple Sauce Green Peas with Carrots, Jello with Topping, Milk.

Thurs., Dec. 10 – Hamburger on Bun with Mustard or Mayonnaise, Potato Chips, Green Vegetable, Saucer Fruit, Milk.

Fri., Dec. 11 – Vegetable Soup with Beef, Crackers, Toasted Chese Sandwich or Peanut Butter Sandwich, Ice Cream, Milk.

Lynn Catches 'Big Cat'

Lynn Pearson, age 7, caught this nine pound, 10 ounce, 27 inch long cat fish in her grandfather's pond in Buckingham county. Her grandfather, H. T. Pearson, and the rest of the family think that Lynn, with this excellent catch, should make quite a fisherman ('er fisherlady) as she grows up.

8TH GRADE 4–H

The third 8th grade 4 - H meeting was held in the A.I.S. auditorium on Nov. 20, 1970. The meeting was called to order by the president and the new and old business was discussed. We then had a report on the different committees we have. Mr. James gave a demonstration on "Giving demonstrations" and talked after which the meeting was adjourned.

Debbie Rush, Reporter

STONEWALL

To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen, Gal. 1:5

Well every house in the community had most of their children home for Thanksgiving Day. We must be thankful for all the Lord has given us every day of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Carson and children of Culpeper spent the holidays with his parents, Mr and Mrs C. E. Carson.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Kalding Denise and Mark of Thauville, Ill. left early Sunday for home after having a wonderful trip to Virginia with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Lowe and son of Va. Beach spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Hog Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Hatcher King had all of their children for Thanksgiving. Their son, Billy, will soon leave for Vietnam.

Rev. and Mrs. Moore and Kelly returned Saturday from North Carolina after a visit with each family.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carson spent Thanksgiving with her mother, Mrs. Glenn al Pamplin.

Mrs. Elsie Caldwell spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caldwell.

Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caldwell were Mrs. Elsie Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Carol Wayne Vandergift of Pamplin.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Harris, of Spout Spring, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack Caldwell Saturday night.

Friday Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler and the Kalding family visited Mr. and Mrs. Josh Alvis and Mrs. Lawrence Wheeler.

So glad to report Mrs. Mamie Franklin is doing fine.

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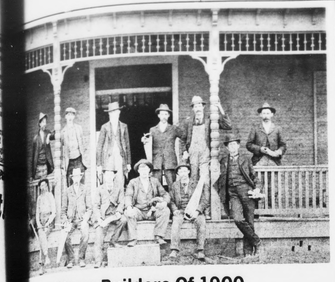

Home Builders Of 1900

home building goes back a long, about seventy years ago, workE Ennis W. Taylor home (later of the late Senator Charles T. 8½ Moses) posed for their ng construction of the large home Court avenue. The Moses home ed by Mr. and Mrs. H. Webster Virginia Moses Babcock). It was R. Babcock and son, C. A. Clem Curtis Blackwell, of Appomatwith local residents this summer ss systems and visitors. (Seated,

from left): George P. Blackwell, Linne T. Seay, Sr., E. Gilbert Blackwell, (unknown), C. A. (Clem) Hancock, Walter M. Hancock and Dr. George Braxton Taylor, pastor of Liberty Baptist Church. (Standing, from left): (no information), Nathan D. Marshall, W. A. (Bill Archer) Durrum, L. M. (Lem) Mitchell, Walter W. (Hoopy) Wooldridge and Wyatt A. Ablitt. Note that the decorative porch cornice spokes are in a 1-2, 1-2 pattern except for the 3rd segment on the right with number six and seven identical. The photo and information was supplied by H. C. Blackwell.

ROCKS

Nov. 30 – The coldest weather of the season hit here the first of last week.

Sympathy is extended Mrs. Albert Baird of Dillwyn formerly Jesse Fitzgerald, in the death of her husband last Friday.

A good man, Hunter F. Martin, passed away at his home Monday night. Sympathy is extended the family.

Mrs. Clara Garrette and Mrs Alice Jackson spent Tuesday with Mrs. Toby Inge.

Rev. W. H. Elder went to Richmond Wednesday to get his son, Frank Lee, who spent the Thanksgiving holiday with his parents.

Hunters are reporting a nice kill of deers and fair luck with rabbits and birds.

A number went to Lovingston Saturday night to surprise Trooper and Mrs. W. R. Roach with a house warming.

The children got out of school Wednesday for Thanksgiving and returned to school Monday.

Miss Grace Moore and Mrs. Pearl Sherwood of Ronceverte, W. Va. and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Moore of Salem, Va. spent the Thanksgiving week end with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moore.

A large crowd attended the funeral of Hunter F. Martin on Thursday afternoon.

The HD Club will meet Thursday night, Dec. 3, with Mrs. Mary Edith Morris.

Mike Richardson was sick over the week end. A speedy recovery is wished him.

Miss Hazel Moon, Missionary who spoke at Rocks Sunday morning was dinner guest of Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Elder and family.

Mrs. Ruby Almond, Mrs. Patsy Richardson, Mrs. Carrie Richardson and Cassie Baldwin were shopping in Farmville Wednesday.

A number were out for the supper and Thanksgiving service on Wednesday night.

Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Elder went to Richmond Sunday night to take Frank Lee back to college.

Wilson Almond entered Lynchburg General Hospital Friday night. A speedy recovery is wished him.

JORDAN BAPTIST

Help, Lord; for the godly man ceaseth; for the faithful fail from among the children of men, Psalm 12:2

All present enjoyed Rev. Elliott's sermon Sunday night and the singing of the Cannon Tot Choir.

The Golden Trumpteers will be at the Jordan Baptist Church this Sunday, December 6, at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend this program.

Set For Dec.

The A. C. H. S. Band will hold a Christmas Concert jointly with the high school choir.

The concert will be held Sunday, December 13th, at the Intermediate School at 3:30 p.m.

F.B.L.A. MEETING

The Future Business Leaders of America met in the high school auditorium on Nov. 19, 1970.

David Tyree called the meeting to order followed by a short devotion given by Dianne Williams, Kathy Woodson then presented the secretary's report.

Mary Nell Doss introduced Mrs. Betty Statton, our guest speaker, and presented her with a corsage. Mrs. Statton is the Employment Supervisor at Nationwide and is now also in charge of activities there. She gave a talk on the subject of possible careers and points to remember when being interviewed for a job. The members were then given a brief period of time to ask Mrs. Statton questions.

Our club decided to purchase an ad in the school annual for the '70-'71 school year. More Cherrydale Candy arrived and our members had no trouble selling it. We would again like to express our thanks to those who sold and bought the candy.

Respectfully,
Dianne Williams, Reporter

MRS. GREER'S 4–H

Mr. Greer's 4–H Club met on Wed., Nov. 18, 1970. President Cindy Smith called the meeting to order. We then had the pledges to the flags with Jack Smith leading in the pledge to the American Flag, and Ed Bower the 4-H Flag. Beth Lawson then led us in a short devotion. Our Song Leaders then led us in some songs. Secretary Beverly Harvey read the minutes of the last meeting.

The meeting was then turned over to Mr. James who told us that the ones to take the pig project last year their pigs were to be judged in August. He also told the ones who took the dog project this year that there was to be a dog show in the spring. Mr. James gave us an example of a demonstration and an illustrated talk.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Kathy Marshall, Reporter

MR. ROBERTS 4–H

Nov. 16, 1970, Mr. Roberts 4-H Club had its meeting. Our president, Lloyd Litchford called the meeting to order. We had the minutes of the previous meeting. After the minutes Miss Mayton asked for the project slips. After that she asked Ava Sue Thomas for a report on 4-H Facts. She did not have it so she will give to us at the next meeting. Then Miss Mayton asked for the 4-H key which Allen Nash made and Gayla Doss, made the letters. Miss Mayton showed us how to make a pot holder out of a leaf pattern felt, and bottle caps.

Then Mr. James told us about a pet show how to enter, after that the song leaders led us in a song.

Then Miss Mayton showed us how to give a demonstration or illustrated talk. The meeting was adjourned and we played some games.

Ronald Davidson, Reporter

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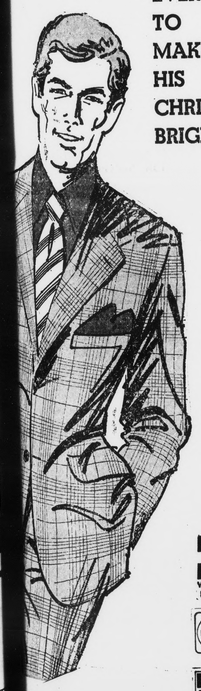

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